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## Report suggests a lack of affordable housing in Didsbury *Habitat for Humanity considers next build*

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
 Didsbury Review

Habitat for Humanity has set its sights on Didsbury for a future project, a welcome addition say town officials, following the release of a draft report that suggests more affordable housing is needed.

Members of Habitat's Mountain View chapter have had initial discussions with town officials about a possible Didsbury build.

Currently, the land location is the main objective before anything further plans can begin.

"They are in discussions with individuals on properties to see what's available out there and what sort of support

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**BRIAN WITTAL**  
 Mayor of Didsbury

they would be able to get from the landowner or developer of that land," says mayor Brian Wittal, adding more affordable housing in the town was welcomed.

"There is definitely a need - it's like anywhere else there's always that part of the population," he said. "There's a lot of people out there whether it be someone loses a job or whatever that we see that out there, there's always people looking to take that step they just can't afford to do it."

The Municipal Area Partnership recently received back a summary of an affordable housing needs assessment for Mountain View County and the urban municipalities within it conducted by Housing Strategies Inc.

The summary report suggests as many as 150 census households in Didsbury with incomes that fall below low income cut-offs, may be in need of more affordable housing.

It amounts to an estimated 50 couple families, 35 lone-parent families, 60 individuals, and five 'other' households, states the report.

If considering those with incomes which fall below the 2008 core need income threshold, that number escalates to as many as 350 census households which may be in need of more affordable housing.

According to Statistics Canada, the median household income in Didsbury was \$52,844 in 2006.



Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

**GROWING STRONGER** - Gerald Marginet, Daniel Neuberger and Cheri Douglas, Didsbury Public Works, plant trees at the town lagoons, last week. Seven hundred and fifty young trees and shrubs were planted temporarily at the lagoon to give the seedlings a chance to grow bigger and stronger before being planted around town and at the new Memorial Park. The seedlings are various types and were acquired through a federal grant program.



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**ON LINE** - Mike McFadden and David Walker paint lines on a crosswalk in Didsbury, May 13. Spring line painting is currently being done all over town.

Carla Victor/Didsbury Review

## Caital projects delayed

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
Didsbury Review

About \$300,000 in infrastructure projects planned for this year are now being deferred because the province has cut-back MSI Capital Grants to the town.

Town of Didsbury has changed following the provincial budget announcements early April.

The province had initially pledged to give the town up to \$591,480 through the capital grant fund in 2009, but after the provincial budget was passed in April, that amount has been revised down to \$331,501.

"At that time (April 21 meeting), council directed us to consider making reductions for the capital budget," explained James Reichenbacher, the town's chief administrative officer.

As a result, planned projects of construction of a sidewalk along 15th Ave. from 15th St. to 16th St., construction of a catch basin taking water from Princess Petra to 15th Ave. and installation of underground stormwater along 15th Ave.

from 12th to 16th streets have all been deferred to cut back costs of approximately \$300,000.

"We're deferring them till probably next year and it's kind of dependent on developers as well," said Reichenbacher.

"We haven't taken a formal amendment to the capital budget because we're still waiting for some other things that are on the go...but we're hoping that as a result of the current year's activities we'll be able to do as much as we can but we're going to probably have to amend the budget if those things don't happen," noted Reichenbacher.

The project plan was to bring the stormwater from Princess Petra across 15th Ave. and to tie into the stormwater plan with the high school to ultimately be used by a proposed new golf course.

Since developers have delayed the golf course development by approximately one year, administration recommended the projects be delayed until the status of the golf course is determined and a timeline for construction has been provided to the town.

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# Town to collect \$3.7 million from taxpayers

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
Didsbury Review

Didsbury taxpayers now owe the Town of Didsbury \$3.7 million to help cover its expected expenditures for the year and suffice their contribution to the area's seniors housing foundation.

Council passed its tax rate bylaw last Tuesday, setting out the rates it would charge assessable property in the town to cover off slightly less than half of the \$7.8 million it has budgeted for expenditures for this year.

The remaining \$4.1 million will be generated through municipal revenues, including fees and utilities, and transfers from other sources.

The amount the town is collecting in municipal taxes from taxpayers has increased by four per cent over last year in order for the town to maintain current service levels to the community and help replenish depleted reserves.

"The town portion - the part that we control was

limited to four (per cent) by council," said James Reichenbacher, the town's chief financial officer, regarding council's direction to administration.

According to a report presented to council by Reichenbacher in March, municipal taxes would have to rise at least 3.5 per cent to maintain present service levels to the community.

However, Reichenbacher recommended the four per cent increase to allow the town to begin replenishing its severely depleted reserves.

Combined residential/farmland tax bills will total \$3.1 million. Residential vacant landowners will owe \$105,015 and non-residential property owners will owe \$380,497.

Non-residential vacant lot landowners will pay \$86,826. The rate at which the non-residential vacant lots are taxed has increased from last year as per council direction to encourage development.

For a home assessed at \$275,000, the average increase on the tax bill over last year will be \$103.90 or \$8.66 monthly.

"The assessments are made as of July 1, 2008 and is a measure of the change in value from July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008," Reichenbacher explained.

All property considered for taxation in this year's budget was assessed at having a combined worth of over \$530 million.

Didsbury taxpayers will also owe the provincial government \$1.2 million for the education tax. Residential and farmland owners are being charged \$1,019,527 while non-residential land owners will owe \$180,000.

The exact amount each taxpayer owes will appear on the municipal tax bill as a separate amount.

## Proposed new fire hall in the works

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
Didsbury Review

A concept plan for a new fire hall is in the works to relocate the fire department out of its cramped quarters into a facility that will meet current and future needs.

Didsbury Fire Department chief Rick Mousseau recently met with town administration and architects to discuss building needs and a concept plan for a new fire facility.

"We're in the draft plan right now. Right now we're in the draft stages to see if there are any changes to be made," said Mousseau.

An exact location needs to be determined before any other plans can be arranged.

"Right now it's up in the air because we require so much square footage for the fire hall," he said.

An Emergency Services Feasibility Analysis of Dec. 10, 2001 outlined the need for a new building for the fire department in 2010.

Mayor Brian Wittal says the need for a new hall become more evident after the recent fire services review was conducted.

"We knew ours was old, we knew it was very tight for space...we didn't know some of the detail around the conditions of the building."

The facility was listed as outdated to meet current and future needs of the



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department in the draft Fire Services Evaluation and Master Plan commissioned by the Municipal Area Partnership.

According to the draft report, the apparatus bays are just able to accommodate the trucks in order to do vehicle checks safely. Trucks need to be pulled out in order to get access to the cabinets safely without damaging the other trucks.

The draft report also notes that present parking cannot accommodate members during training or responding to a call, endangering the public and vol-

unteers.

Signs of mold were also present, posing a health risk to the membership, notes the report.

The limited space in the hall makes it extremely difficult to operate efficiently and safely, notes the report.

A larger facility to house modern vehicles is the most critical requirement, according to the report, but it notes there is also a need for acceptable support facilities like a training /meeting room and offices.

Wittal said town officials have begun to look at what exactly is needed in the

new facility, where it would be located and if the incorporation of other services into the facility could be possible.

He stated the ability to utilize the space better would be an asset such as offering training opportunities for EMS or being able to share the facilities, following any growth, with the RCMP.

The current facility has seen numerous functions over the years. Prior to being the fire station, it was shared with the RCMP and the town's public works department.

A concept plan will be taken to the fire volunteers for their input and suggestions.

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# Opinion

## Commentary

### Legal nightmare for schools unjustified

JOE ANGLIN



Alberta's PC government has opened the quintessential can of worms in what can only be described to be an incompetent attempt to comply with a Supreme Court of Canada ruling. The Supreme Court of Canada, 10 years ago, ruled that the Alberta government had to include sexual orientation in its Human Rights Code. After years of non-compliance, the Stelmach government introduced Bill 44 this session, to comply with the court's ruling. However, in introducing Bill 44, Mr. Stelmach's government also elevated parents' rights to pull their child out of any classroom that deals with issues of sex or religion – to a human rights issue.

To the average person this may seem relatively insignificant. The right of a parent to pull their child out of a classroom involving human sexuality or religious studies already exists in Alberta's School Act. So what is all the hubbub about?

By making a parent's right to remove their child from a classroom a human rights issue, Alberta's PC government has created a legal nightmare for school administrators and teachers. The legal complexities are very real; human rights violations are discriminatory and subject the offender to numerous liabilities and possible penalties.

If Bill 44 is passed, could a child's parent sue a teacher or a school board for discrimination, if their child is removed from a classroom, as requested, when evolution is taught – but is denied equal instruction in say creationism? Could a child later in life sue their parents, the teachers and the school board if some students were taught both evolution and creationism, and yet they were denied instruction in one or the other? By making this a human rights issue, what happens if the parents disagree on whether or not their child should be removed from a classroom? Can one parent sue another for grandchild support payments as the result of an unwanted pregnancy in the absence of equal instruction in sex education? Which parent is correct and whose human rights would be violated? Who decides what equal instruction is, and what is discriminatory? Most likely, expensive long drawn-out court cases will eventually answer some of these questions.

This legislative session has been a nightmare for Albertans. More than one bill has stripped seniors and landowners of their basic democratic rights. Now our public education system is under siege from an ill-conceived bill. What should have been a simple housekeeping amendment to the Human Rights Code, to include sexual orientation, has culminated in unnecessary tinkering with the code that will most assuredly end up in court.

Joe Anglin is the Alberta Green Party Leader

## Quote of the week

**"An organization that bends to the will of somebody who's threatening to take back \$150,000 in levies, it's little more than extortion. If you're going to capitulate to those interests, you're no longer serving the best interests of the producers at large."**

**RICK BURTON,**  
chair of the Alberta Beef Producers,  
on his views of the proposed Bill 43



## Commentary

### Balancing crime prevention, public safety not easy

DAN SINGLETON



Two new pieces of proposed legislation aimed at improving crime fighting in Alberta raise serious questions

about public safety.

The Gunshot and Stab Wound Mandatory Disclosure Act, Bill 46, would make health-care workers report gunshot wounds and some stab wounds to police.

The Stelmach government says compelling doctors, nurses and other emergency personnel to go to police when they become aware of shootings and stabbings will improve public safety.

"The information police receive as a result of this legislation can help them prevent further violence, injury or death," says Solicitor General Fred Lindsay. "Gunshot and stab wounds pose a public safety concern and this bill identifies and addresses this important public safety matter."

Under the legislation gunshot

wounds must be reported, and stab wounds must also be reported unless they are self-inflicted or unintentionally inflicted.

A second piece of proposed legislation, Bill 42, would make it mandatory for bar owners to provide police with the personal information about their patrons. The government says the law is aimed particularly at gang members.

"These amendments will enhance the ability of police to protect Albertans by removing people who don't respect the law before a dangerous situation occurs," says Rob Anderson, Parliamentary Assistant to the Solicitor General.

While it's hard to argue with attempts to protect innocent people from being shot by criminals or being beaten up by gang members, questions remain about whether the possible benefits of the new laws will outweigh the risks.

As for Bill 42, what happens if a bar owner decides not to provide police with information about a particular patron who later ends up committing a crime?

Could the bar owners be consid-

ered an accomplice? Will victims of crimes be able to sue bar owners for injuries they receive? Will reporting a gang member to police lead to retaliation against the bar owner and staff?

The big question is whether it's reasonable to make untrained citizens do the work of highly trained police officers. Many Albertans would say no.

Regarding Bill 46, isn't there a real danger that some individuals wounded by guns or knives will now be reluctant to seek medical attention for fear their wounds will bring police attention? Won't that inevitably lead to untimely deaths?

And what about wounded violent individuals threatening health-care workers with retaliation if they report?

Again the big question is whether it's reasonable to make citizens do the work of police.

If the Stelmach government wants to protect the public it should give the police more resources – instead of putting ordinary citizens and health-care workers in the line of fire.

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## Refundable check-off will hurt livestock producers says ABP

BY JENNIFER WILSON  
For the Review

A new bill that could make check-offs refundable to producers is a mistake, says the chair of the Alberta Beef Producers.

Bill 43 is provincial legislation that, if passed, will make check-offs refundable for beef, pork, lamb and potato producers.

Rick Burton, chair of the Alberta Beef Producers, explained that his group is funded by collecting a non-refundable check-off, or levy, each time cattle is sold. The ABP then uses this money for marketing, research and lobbying, on behalf of all beef producers in the province.

For example, he said, ABP funded work on the countervail challenge about 10 years ago, when a group of US producers didn't want Canadian cattle exported into the US. A large trade dispute and lengthy court battle ensued, costing the ABP about \$3.5 million.

When the levy was first introduced in 1969 it was 10 cents, and now it is \$3 per animal.

Burton said the concern when the check-off was first established was that if it was refundable, the biggest players in the industry could demand to make policy changes.

"The theory was, a very large producer, who was submitting a large number of dollars, he can either ask for a policy change to suit his purposes or he can ask for his money back," he said.

"It was agreed, 40 years ago, that that didn't make any sense, and it should be the producers that vote and not dollars that vote."

Burton said he believes the current challenge on the check-off is being brought about by a number of large producers who turn over in excess of \$100,000 a year in levies.

"Where we're going to find ourselves, if this legislation is passed, is a situation right back where the industry was trying to avoid 40 years ago. And we're going to have a system where dollars vote versus producers vote."

But Doug Griffith, MLA for Battle River and



Michaela Ludwig/Innistrail Province

**CURIOUS COW** - An interested cow, located on a farm just outside Innistrail, sticks its head through the fence. Beef producers in Alberta may soon have a choice to get back levies paid out on cattle transactions.

Wainwright and the one who introduced the bill, said Bill 43 is all about giving producers choice.

He noted that there are 13 producer organizations that currently have check-offs, and nine are refundable, such as barley or wheat.

"It's their way of ensuring that the producer organization is accountable and responsive and continues year after year to meet their needs."

Griffith said having the refundable option has worked well for those groups, and only about seven to 10 per cent of the producers ask for their check-offs back.

"For consistency, it makes sense that the other organizations fall in line with their nine sister organizations and the principal that the government advocates for, and that's individual producer choice."

Burton agrees that if producers want the check-off to be refundable, ABP would support that decision. But he says no one has asked producers what they want.

Burton approached the government about having a plebiscite with Alberta's 28,000 beef producers, but that idea was shot down.

"They're doing it all in the name of giving producers choice, but I think that's a red herring. If they're truly interesting in giving producers choice, they would hold this plebiscite."

Burton said if the check-off is refundable, it would make it impossible for ABP to set a budget for their programs and initiatives.

"We cannot enter into any long-term commitments on any level, to provide value to producers."

"An organization that bends to the will of somebody who's threatening to take back \$150,000 in levies, it's little more than extortion. If you're going to capitulate to those interests, you're no longer serving the best interests of the producers at large."

Griffith explained that a plebiscite with Alberta beef producers was held about 10 years ago and that vote was 51 per cent to 49 per cent, in favour of keeping the check-off non-refundable.

"To have another plebiscite, if it turns out to be 50/50 or 51/49, that really doesn't resolve anything," he said.

Griffith added that the initial government legislation made it mandatory and that didn't let the producers choose.

"This (bill) gives them the chance to choose every single year," he said.

**"Where we're going to find ourselves, if this legislation is passed, is a situation right back where the industry was trying to avoid 40 years ago. And we're going to have a system where dollars vote versus producers vote."**

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## Housing

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The assessment report states that once all pertinent data is analyzed, there continues to be a significant percentage of households earning low and modest incomes.

Based on MLS sales data published by the Calgary Real Estate Board, the report states a household with five per cent down payment would have to earn an annual combined income of \$66,000 in order to purchase the average-priced home in Didsbury in 2008 and \$68,700 in order to purchase the median-priced home sold in 2008.

For rental places, households living in Didsbury in 2008 required annual combined incomes of \$20,120 to afford the average rent for a one bedroom unit, \$25,680 to afford the average rent for a two-bedroom unit and \$30,680 to afford the average rent for a three bedroom unit, according to the report.

The assessment noted this information suggested rental housing in Didsbury is not affordable for households earning less than \$15,000 and for households earn-

ing less than \$20,000 there may be limited affordable rental opportunities.

Stats Can also reported that between 2001 and 2006 an increase of an estimated 25.7 per cent in Didsbury mortgage payments and an increase of estimated 30.9 per cent in Didsbury's monthly rental payments.

Didsbury had an overall rental vacancy rate of 2.9 per cent (three vacant units) at the time of the count in 2008.

Habitat for Humanity may consider a Didsbury build once its current project in Olds is completed.

Habitat for Humanity Mountain View Affiliate establishes a fund, created through donations by corporations, churches, service clubs, governments and individuals.

It then uses this fund to help select a partner family to build their home. The partner family is contracted to a no interest mortgage with its Habitat Affiliate. The family's mortgage payments go back into the fund, which then allows more homes to be built.

Wittal says the town town will do its best to help Habitat for Humanity build in Didsbury.

"From a town's perspective there are certainly things we can look at doing to help them with the projects from fees for development permits being waived just to keep the overall cost of the project down," he said.

Wittal said once a location to build a Habitat for Humanity house in Didsbury is selected, the organization could start looking for applicants early next year.

With that timeframe, construction on a home could begin later that fall or early spring 2011.

The Mountain View Chapter of Habitat for Humanity began in 2002 and the first home was built in Cremona three years later.

In 2007 a home was built by the group in Sundre and currently a duplex is being completed in Olds with plans on finishing a second duplex in Olds late this year or early next year.

"Habitat for Humanity can come in and they help you get from the step of never being able to possibly own a home to give you that first home ownership scenario," Wittal explained. "It's a great organization with a great philosophy behind them."

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# Book lover found calling in librarian career

BY SABEEN AHMAD  
Didsbury Review

Inez Kosinski hasn't stayed in one place or job for more than five years except for her current position.

For the past 10 years, Kosinski has been the Didsbury Municipal Library's director and loves it. On May 11, Kosinski was presented with a certificate of appreciation recognizing her 10 years of service with the library.

Kosinski was unaware she was being presented with anything but it came as a pleasant surprise to her. "It always feels good to be recognized," she said humbly. "I was honoured at the fact they asked the mayor to come make a presentation so it wasn't just ordinary."

Being involved with libraries in Alberta for 29 years, Kosinski has held positions with libraries in various departments ranging from working on the board to working in the library. She's honest in saying her preference is to be in the library surrounded not only by the books but the people.

Kosinski's day consists of coming in well before the library is open so she

can get work done, which then allows her to talk to the people who come in. She added that calling someone to let them know their book has come in or when the van comes to deliver new books (every two weeks) "is like Christmas."

It's obvious Kosinski takes pride in her work and where she works. Her knowledge on books and the future of books, though she doesn't consider herself an expert, is profound.

"I love books - that's often the thing that attracts you to it but it's not necessarily the thing that keeps you going," she said about her job. "I think what I like is the level playing field it provides for everyone - it's affordable and it's there for everyone."

Throughout the 10 years Kosinski has been at the Didsbury Municipal Library she has seen many changes in the library world. "I've noticed huge changes - since 1999 - the year Alberta Public Library Electronic Network began. It was the beginning of ensuring, in Alberta, all public libraries were connected to the Internet and we could start sharing resources more." She



**RECOGNIZED** - Inez Kosinski, who was recognized for her 10 years of service with the Didsbury Municipal Library, holds a multi-cultural family literacy kit.

mentioned how when she started the number of inter-library loans was quite low and now the Didsbury Municipal Library alone sees 1,000 inter-library loans coming and going within a month.

She noted she's not alone in keeping the library going on a daily basis. "I think the thing I'm mostly grateful for is I have such a really good

team of people that work with me," she said of the four permanent part-time employees. "I've got some really talented people working here."

Kosinski also credited the town's support for the library. "Every year since I was hired there has been increased library funding at least somewhat from the Town of Didsbury - they recognize that costs go up."

The support from the town is not the only encouragement Kosinski sees. "Now, we've been working for the last 17 years to get an increase on our operating grant with the province and we've finally got that - last year I was getting really discouraged when we didn't get it."

Though Kosinski has had no formal training in her field of work, it's the

experience she has gained throughout the various facets of the library world that helped her land the job she's in now. "I am really grateful the board hired me - I don't have formal library training - I have lots of years of the Alberta Library Conferences," she laughed adding if she doesn't know how to do something, she does know who to call.

Her workload, as the director, consists of book-keeping, planning, researching, budgeting and human resources. Along with enjoying the people who pop into the library, Kosinski has other projects she'd like to see accomplished.

"In the first month I was hired here I made a list of the things I wanted to accomplish and I haven't accomplished them all. I know there's lots of other things I would like to see happen here."

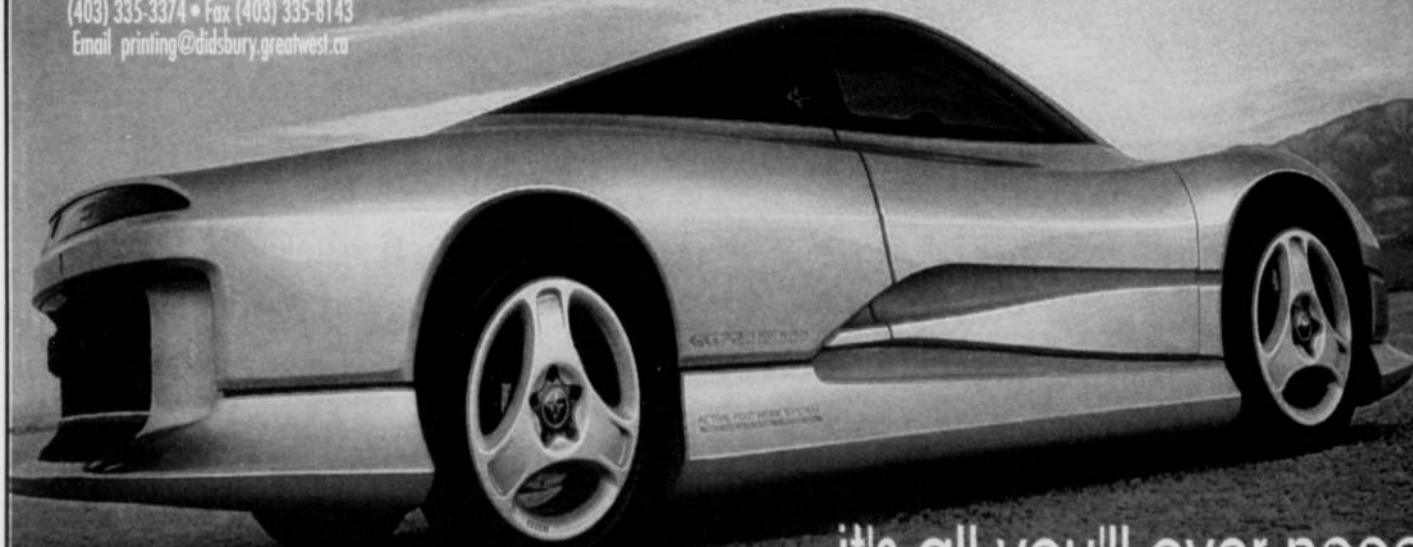
Some of those things include seeing a film night begin, a type of social club where people can gather and discuss social, political or other news or world issues. She says for the most part she has accomplished most of the things on the list but is still working on accomplishing the rest.

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# Community News

## Cowabunga planned

In the fall of 2003 Ross Ford Elementary School was modernized on the inside, and the playground needed to be modernized on the outside.

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Thus, the idea of Cowabunga was born. In the spring of 2004, we held the first annual barn dance in the parking lot of the school.

Funds were raised with the sale of hamburgers and hot-dogs and a "Cowpatty raffle" was held.

For those of you not from rural roots, a cowpatty raffle entails allowing a cow to wander in a gridded area until it delivers a "cow patty."

Each portion of the grid is purchased by someone and the winner is the person who owns the square where the "patty" is delivered.

Well, that year the cow patty raffle was during the day in the parking lot. The teachers parked their vehicles outside the parking lot for the short time they surmised it would take and waited.

And we waited and we waited.

With baited breath the cow finally delivered its patty around 2:30 p.m., just in time for the buses to arrive to pick up the students at the end of the school day.

We raised enough funds the first year with donations and the raffle, along with matching grants, community participation,

Town and business support, and donated time to begin our dream of adding more playground equipment to the school grounds for all in the community to enjoy.

Cowabunga became an annual event and continues to hold its place in our hearts and playground since then. Needless to say, 2004 was the last "cow patty" raffle we entertained our students with! However, watch for the continuing saga of our Cowabunga adventures in upcoming week.

The 2009 Annual Cowabunga will be held on June 4 in the parking lot of the Ross Ford Elementary School beginning at 6 p.m.

If you wish to support our continued efforts to build, maintain, and - this year - add wheelchair accessible equipment, please feel free to contact Ross Ford Elementary School at (403)335-3234. Come join us for some food, fun and in support of our continued efforts to provide fun for the youth in our community.

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The Wild Pink Yonder Charitable Society is organizing a trail ride that will trace the footsteps taken by North West Mounted Police 135 years ago to raise money for the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation.

Horses and their riders, along with horse teams pulling wagons leave Fort MacLeod on June 23 and will stop in 29 communities along the way until their finish near Fort Saskatchewan July 24. Riders will make a stop in Carstairs July 6 and Olds July 7.

It will be an amazing sight says Jane Hurl, driving force



Photo submitted

**THANKS FOR THE SUPPORT** - Debby Pelletier, chair for the Rosebud Health Foundation, receives a cheque for Platinum Sponsorship from Joe Halerewich of Pengrowth Corporation in support of the Annual Golf Fundraiser in August.

and co-organizer of the massive undertaking.

"This is going to be legendary."

Three years ago Hurl was diagnosed and treated for breast cancer. It turned her world upside down and she, like many others that continue the battle, wants a cure.

Hurl and her son Rusty have devoted more than a year pulling together all of the elements for a successful ride that will not only be a lot of fun, but will also raise money for breast cancer research.

Riders participating are required to get \$200 in pledges for each day they are on the trail.


"There is a 100-horse limit each day, so book your space early," says Hurl.

Several businesses and organizations have thrown their support into the ride, but there are still opportunities for anyone to get involved with the ride and help make breast cancer history.

Hurl has a website that provides numerous details and contact information that space won't allow in a newspaper.

For more information on the "pink adventure" go to [www.wildpinkyonder.com](http://www.wildpinkyonder.com)

- Diana MacLeod



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We are excited to have Janice as a member of our team and look forward to introducing her to all our clients and their animals.



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BY ANDREW WILD  
For the Review

For 17-year-old Nikki Durstling the basketball season will continue well into the summertime.

Not that the soon-to-be graduate of Didsbury High School is complaining since it will be in England and Ireland that she'll continue her campaign.

The opportunity to play abroad came about after being selected by NBC

Basketball Camps, which holds an annual camp at Olds College, to represent Canada for the international tour.

Durstling was selected after being a camp all-star and going through a selection process that included tryouts, video sessions and providing letters of recommendation.

"I was really ecstatic when I first found out and even more excited when I actually got picked," she

enthused in an interview with the Review. "I guess my letters were really good."

A 5-foot-9 wing player who recently finished her high school career with the Dragons, Durstling is currently playing club basketball with one of two Olds College Junior Broncos U17 girls' teams.

After the club season winds up and grad activities wind down, she'll be off to Seattle on July 2 for a training camp for the team that includes players from Alberta and B.C. From there she'll be off to the British Isles for a set of games against British and Irish teams.

"The most exciting thing will probably be just meeting everybody on my team and playing in a different country," Durstling suggested. "It's going to be an amazing experience with just the whole environment."

However, the end of the overseas venture won't be the end of her basketball preparations. Upon her return and maybe a short break to recharge, she'll begin preparing for her first year of college basketball at Olds College.

The opportunity to play post-secondary hoops while being able to stay near home was something the zone high school all-star always hoped could



Andrew Wild/Olds Albertan

**FUTURE BRONCO** - Didsbury's Nikki Durstling works out with her U17 Jr. Bronco teammates last week. The DHS student will be heading to England and Ireland this summer to play basketball as part of the NBC Basketball Camp all-star team. Next fall, she'll be a member of the OC Broncos women's team.

happen.

"I always wanted to play college somewhere but I didn't really know if I could," she explained. "Then (Broncos coach Greg Lendvay) gave me an opportunity at a scholarship and told me I could come (to Olds College)."

Having played for Lendvay in club basketball made the decision easy for Durstling.

"It was a coach I'm

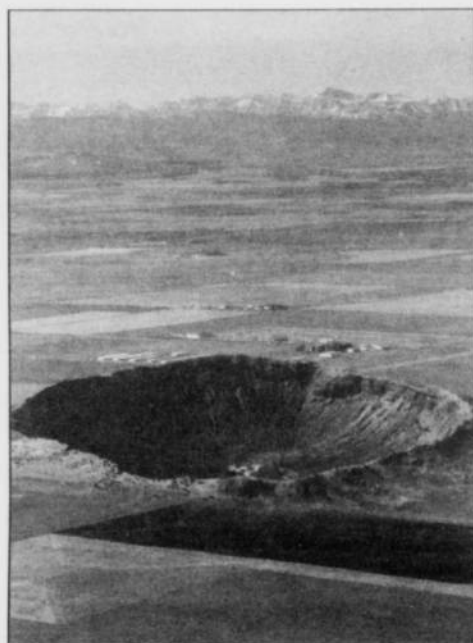
familiar with and I get to stay around family," she added. "Maybe I can go somewhere after that - we'll see."

It's an exciting end to a positive season for Durstling who saw the Dragons take huge strides as a team during the school season thanks to the influence of new coach Chris Overwater. She said he helped the team grow to the point

where they're a factor in the South Central Zone 2A girls basketball landscape.

"He really improved our team and improved our skills," Durstling said, adding her game grew from the experience as it has while playing with the Junior Broncos.

"Playing with kids from around here has been really good (for me)," she added.



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Spencer Scott was the tournament all-star centre with honourable mentions to Cole Pritchard, Blake Draper, Dalton Harder, Jordy Potter and Scott Johnson.

The Rage's goaltenders, Kyle Kardos and Brady Jewan, finished 1-2 in the goaltenders' statistics for goalies with two or more games played. The Rage also had four players in the top five for tournament points. Cole Pritchard led with 13 points, Brandon Craig was third with eight, while Blake Draper and Austin Pedersen tied for fourth with seven points each.

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**SWING** - Lou Pride of Didsbury bats for the Olds Seniors Slo Pitch team at a game against Sundre, May 12.

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# Community Resources

This is a free community event listing service, sponsored by area businesses, provided to non-profit organizations or local community groups. Listing is free to any non-profit organization or community group in the

Didsbury Review distribution area. While every effort will be made to ensure each request for publication is granted, the Didsbury Review does NOT GUARANTEE publication for a variety of reasons including space

constraints. To try and accommodate as many requests as possible, please keep submissions to 20 words or less. Please have your submissions in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event you are publicizing.

**CITIZENS ON PATROL** - Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you. To volunteer call 403-335-8755.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** - Membership meetings are the 2nd Wed. in June, September, November, and January. For more info please call 403-335-3265.

**DIDSBURY TOPS** Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacy at 403-335-4487 or Rosemary 403-335-2835.

**BEAVERS** Tues. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Footie Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

**TIME OUT** Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Didsbury Neighbourhood Place, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Call 403-335-4270.

**KING HIRAM LODGE #21** has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

**ST. HILDA CHAPTER #27 O.E.S.** Has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. Call Marg Stecker at 403-335-4281.

**DIDSBURY SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES** Coordinates assistance for seniors. Call 403-335-4391.

**DIDSBURY SHUTTLE BUS** Scheduled transportation for anyone on Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9 - 3. Please call day prior or by 8:00 a.m. for pick up. 403-507-0208. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by the Didsbury Lions Club.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE** Supper Meeting - 4th Thursdays, Regular Meeting - 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month. Call 403-4676 for info.

**LEARNING DISABILITIES MTN.** View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 403-335-3174.

**DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC** - Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. - Fri. 8:30-4:00.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** Meetings Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Colleen at 403-335-8484 or Rick at 403-335-9525.

**HALL RENTALS:** Rosebud Hall rentals. Call 403-335-9945 or 403-335-4606.

**RUGBY HALL RENTALS CALL** Della @ 403-335-8767, for meetings, family events or

reunions.

**• 5-0 Club Hall Rentals.** For Hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Joyce Gee 403-335-2861. • To Rent **Didsbury Elks Hall.** Call Jim Wadel 403-335-3481. • To Rent **St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Hall.** contact Myrna Watt 403-335-3745. • To Rent the **Lone Pine Hall.** which is located east of Didsbury, contact Jo-Anne Hannah at 403-335-4190. • To Rent **Mountain View Community Hall** for meetings, community events, family or group reunions call John 403-335-8860. • **The Fallen Timber Community Hall** offers an ideal place for quiet safety meetings or fabulous social activities. Please contact Esther McMullen for info at 403-637-2270.

**SPEND ONE HOUR A WEEK WITH A CHILD AT SCHOOL.** Have fun together - play games, shoot some hoops, draw, read or do crafts. Mentoring works! Call Mountain View Mentoring at 403-586-0110. Volunteers needed in Carstairs, Cremona, Didsbury, Olds & Sundre. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Innisfail.

**DIDSBURY LIFELINE** Emergency Response System - Shirley 403-335-3787, Don 403-335-4676.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW CHORALERS** invite you to sing with us 7 p.m. Mondays at the 5-0 club, 2500 15 Ave. 36th

**DIDSBURY ROYAL PURPLE #317** Regular meeting at 7:00 p.m., 2nd Wednesday of each month. For info call Karen Smith 403-556-7331

**ALANON:** For family and friends of alcoholics. Alice 403-556-5911, Reg 403-337-3762.

**DIDSBURY AND AREA SUPPORT GROUP** For friends and families of people with Alzheimer's Disease and other forms of dementia. Join us the last Monday of each month, 7-9 p.m. Aspen Ridge Lodge, 1100 - 20 Ave., Didsbury, 403-335-9848. Dolina Watson, 403-335-7285.

**DIDSBURY & DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES AUXILIARY** monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in Unit 4 at the hospital.

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS** 12-Step group for Compulsive Overeaters meets on Thursdays at 7 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican church, 130 Albert St., Airdrie. For more information call Deb at 403-948-0563 or Frankie at 403-335-3633.

**3025 RCACC** Didsbury Army Cadets Youth 12-18 Monday 6:30 - 9:30. Downstairs Victoria Square Mall 403-559-8801.

**ADULT HALL WALKING** at Westglen School from 6:30pm to 7:30pm from Monday to Friday. Also free blood sugar testing

on Mondays. For more information call Cindy at 403-335-9437.

**DIDSBURY MUSEUM OPEN** 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tues and Wed.; Sat. 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. By appointment. Joan 403-335-6644 or Shirley 403-335-3277

**DIDSBURY & DISTRICT** Community bus. Call Jan to book your trip. 403-335-3052. Competent drivers.

**DIDSBURY YOUTH JUSTICE COMMITTEE'S** meetings are held the first Monday of each month. All persons interested in volunteering and helping to work with the youth in our community are encouraged to come. For location and time please call 403-335-1975.

## MIDWAY COMMUNITY WALKERS

Midway School will be open to anyone that would like to walk inside for exercise without the winter elements. Open every school day 7:30-8:30am. For more info call 403-337-2888.

## PARENT LINK CENTER

Drop in play. FREE Playtime for Parents and Preschoolers (newborn to 6 yrs). Morning, afternoon and evening playtimes available at Didsbury Neighbourhood Place, bay 2, 2030 17 Ave. Contact Linda 403-586-5466

**IF YOU LIKE TO QUILT** or would like to learn to quilt, come join us at the Church of God 1st & 3rd Monday, 1 - 4 or 7 - 9:30 p.m. For more info call 403-337-8886 leave message. Everyone welcome.

## BABY DROP IN

starting in September @ Didsbury Neighbourhood Place from 9:30 to 11:00 on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursday of the month. A great opportunity to have your baby weighed, talk to a public health nurse & meet other new parents of babies.

**DIDSBURY MUSEUM** is closed for tours to allow us to do electrical work throughout the building. However, our office will remain open during the winter months for business and research on Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 1pm - 4pm.

**DIDSBURY ELKS LODGE** supper meetings every 2nd and 4th Thursdays. Supper at 7:00 p.m. meeting at 8:00 p.m. Call 403-335-4655.

**SUPPER INVITATION** - The Didsbury Lions Club welcomes men & lady visitors at their supper meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month, 6:45 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. For information and to RSVP call 403-335-9173 or 403-335-4796.

**DIDSBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE** is a resource centre for the down, we provide information and referral services, community programming, FCSS, resource lending library and meeting space available for rent. Please call 403-335-8719.

**GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA** - For fun, friendship and adventure! Join anytime. Units are running in Olds (Mondays) & Didsbury (Wed/Thurs.) Contact Karen 403-556-6881. **Coming Events:** Spring Cookie Day - May 2/09, 10am To 3pm Didsbury Train Station.

**PRENATAL BREASTFEEDING CLASS &** preparing for motherhood with Young Family Wellness Nurse and Lactation Consultant. Partners & support people welcome. Thursday, June 4, 1-3pm. Free. Please call Didsbury Public Health Unit to register @403-335-7292 17-22

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**COBURN HALL RENTAL** 4 miles east and 4 miles south. Treed yards for camping. 403-556-8796. 17-22

## SEEKING HOST FAMILIES

Global Partners is seeking host families for the 2009-2010 school year. If you are interested in sharing your home with one of our students call Gail at 335-3863 to learn more about this exciting opportunity 19-23

**STRAWBERRY TEA, BAKE & CRAFT SALE** Friday, May 22nd, 2:00 pm, Aspen Ridge Lodge. Tickets \$3 each, come one come all. 19-20

**LONEPINE AG SOCIETY STEAK FRY** - Lonepine Hall, June 6, 2009. \$15/person. Ag info speaker / Cowboy Poet. RSVP Hani 403-337-3491, Rudi 403-337-2596, Dale 403-337-2065. 20-22



**Coffee's FREE!**

**DAILY DELI LUNCH SPECIALS \$4.99**

**OUR MENU CHANGES EVERY DAY!**

**Come & Enjoy our daily lunch Monday to Friday.**

**CHECK OUT OUR DAILY SOUP FEATURE**

## Church Directory

The REVIEW is pleased to provide this Church Directory as a community service

### Anglican Church of Canada

#### St. Cyprian's

2037 - 24th Ave. Didsbury - 335-4664  
Rector - Bev Bonnie S. Luft  
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.  
Mid-week service every third Wednesday 9:30 a.m.  
St. Cyprian's is a small, friendly Christian Community who welcomes newcomers.  
Sunday School will start back in September.

#### Knox United Didsbury

1406 - 19th Avenue  
Minister Nancy Nourse  
Please join our church family for worship, 10 a.m. each Sunday.  
Nursery Care available for infants and toddlers.  
Sunday school provided for ages 3-17.  
For information about mid-week programming for children, youth and adults please call 335-8373 or see our website at www.knox-united.com.

#### West Zion Mennonite Church

South of Didsbury to sign - West 1.5 miles  
Pastor Trevor Kriaka, info - 337-2020  
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery available during service.  
EVERYONE WELCOME!

### Berthel Mennonite Church

Didsbury, Alberta  
5km S of the Didsbury Overpass,  
8km E on Berthel Rd.  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Pastor: Elwin Garland  
For more information ph. - 335-4451

#### Redeemer Lutheran

LUTHERAN CHURCH CANADA  
1500 - 23 ST. • Rev. Robert Molins  
Church: 335-3161 / Rec: 335-3656  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. • Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study Sunday - 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion 1 & 3 Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
Jr. & Sr. Youth, Women's & Seniors' Ministry Group  
Small Group Bible Study meetings throughout the week.

#### Mountain View Evangelical

#### Missionary Church

14 km East of Didsbury Pastor Art Numan  
Office: 335-4422  
Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Sunday School 10 a.m.  
For information concerning the weekly activities please call the Church Office.

### St. Anthony's Catholic

2030 - 24 Ave. Didsbury  
For more information please contact  
Claude Baril - 335-3842  
Catholic Women's League:  
Wendy MacKenzie 335-8507  
Knights of Columbus: Gary McNeil - 335-8611

#### Chinook Winds Christian Centre

1710 - 14th Street Didsbury  
SUNDAY CELEBRATION - 10 a.m.  
Prophetic Worship and Bible Teaching for all ages  
• Nursery Services •  
Ph/Fax - 335-3551 • Email - cwcc@airenet.com  
Pastoral Team Richard & Beth Kope  
SEE YOU AT THE CENTRE!

#### Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

Corner Hwy. 582 & 20th Ave.  
Phone: 403-335-3629 Web: www.zemc.org  
Mike Morgan, Senior Pastor  
John Reimer, Associate Pastor  
(Life Groups & Worship)  
Colin Creighton, Associate Pastor  
(Global Connections & Youth)  
Alison LeFebvre, Director of Youth Ministries  
Christine Little, Director of Children's Ministries  
Sunday Services  
Sunday School for all ages 9:30am  
Worship Service 10:45 a.m.  
...with Children's Programs for up to Grade 6

## Make a donation to the food bank

June 2 marks National Hunger Awareness Day and the community is being asked to make a monetary donation to the Mountain View Food Bank.

"National Hunger Awareness Day is an important opportunity for food banks to raise awareness of the problem of hunger in their own community," said Katharine Schmidt, executive director, Food Banks Canada. "To many community residents the issue of hunger is often invisible so we want to remind Canadians that there are those living close to home that are struggling."

This year, in honour of National Hunger Awareness Day on June 2, and to ensure community food banks can keep their shelves stocked all summer, Food Banks Canada is calling on Canadians to take a simple action to help reduce hunger in their communities.

Food Banks Canada is asking all Canadians to make a small monetary donation to their local food banks during the Kraft Hunger Challenge.

From June 2-12 Kraft Canada will match donations made to food banks across Canada dollar-for-dollar up to a national total of \$150,000.

All monies raised through the Kraft Hunger Challenge will be distributed to local food banks so they can buy much needed food supplies for Canadians in need.

## SHOP THE MAY COMMUNITY REWARDS 2009



Sunday, May 17 to Saturday, May 23  
403-335-9595

**Fresh Pork Side Ribs**  
Canadian Pork Value Pack  
\$4.97/kg

**\$1.98 lb**

Great for the BBQ

**Green Perlette Grapes**  
Imported, #1 Grade  
\$5.47/kg

**\$2.78 lb**

NEW CROP

**Self Honey Ham**

**\$1.48 100 g**

**Fresh Bread**  
Unsweetened, 50% or 100% Whole Wheat

**3 / \$3.99**

**Folgers Coffee**  
Classic Roast or Decaffeinated

**\$6.48 ea**

# FRONT PORCH REALTY

**174 Meadowlark Lane, Carstairs**  
Great starter home, built in 2000 and on its own pie shaped lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, oak kitchen, nice yard



**\$199,900**

**58 Silver Lynx Park, Olds**  
Nicely maintained 1280 sq ft home on wooded lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, open floor plan, corner gas fireplace, great shed/workshop, priced right



**\$139,900**

**305 Westhill Close**  
1400 + sq ft home, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, new hardwood, new kitchen, wall mount gas fireplace, covered deck, walk-out basement



**\$379,900**

**214 Valarosa Place**  
This brand new home is ready to move into! 1350 sq ft, upgraded laminate, 3 sided fireplace, jet tub, maple cabinetry, covered deck, huge lot, great price!



**\$349,900**

**9 Westhill Drive**  
Great family home, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, newer laminate and new carpet, fresh paint, refinished kitchen cabinets, backs onto a huge park, excellent location



**\$256,900**

**25th Street Lot**  
61' X 120' lot, walkout potential, back lane, choose your own builder, no GST, in preferred area of town!



**\$99,900**

**Little Red Acres**  
1.0 acre lot ready for your dream home, services to property line, no building commitment, nicely treed perimeter, conveniently located just north of Water Valley



**\$134,900**

**2029 - 18 Avenue**  
Upgraded older home on a huge lot (80' X 120'), 3 bedrooms, large rear deck with hot tub, large balcony off of master bedroom, zoned residential/commercial



**\$229,900**

**1269 - 23 Avenue**  
Beautiful 45+ unit with no condo fees! vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, oak kitchen, main floor laundry, bonus room, finished basement



**\$329,900**

**1324 - 21 Avenue**  
Unserviced vacant lot in a mature area of town, slopes west to east so good walkout potential, quiet street, no GST!



**\$69,900**

**1317 - 20 Avenue**  
Here's your own park in town! 8.4 acre lot! 3 + 1 bedroom bungalow, many upgrades, laminate floors, 2 gas fireplaces, 2 1/2 baths, oversized double garage, zoned residential commercial, great potential!



**\$329,900**

**34 Westhill Crescent**  
Over 1700 sq ft, various recent upgrades, jetted tub, fireplace, main floor laundry, new flooring, double detached heated garage, large yard



**\$309,900**



**THE PORCH BOYZ**  
BETTER "SAFE" THAN SORRY!

**7 Carriage Lane Way, Carstairs**



**\$364,900**

**2025 - 20 Avenue**



**\$429,900**

**2022 - 18 Avenue**



**\$329,900**

**1308 - 23 Avenue 45+ Duplex!**



**\$269,900**

**9 West Highlands Bay, Carstairs**



**\$449,900**

**1515 McAlpine Street, Carstairs**



**\$353,500**

**43 Valarosa Drive**



**\$376,900**

**#20, 1706 22 Avenue**



**\$179,900**

**42 Meadowview Court**



**\$323,900**

**Beautiful 1/4 West of Bowden**



**\$350,000**

**542 - 17 Avenue**



**\$299,900**

**101 Westridge Place**



**\$399,900**

**2018 - 21 Avenue**



**\$254,900**

**35.22 ACRES!**



**\$399,900**

**1707 - 17 Street**



**\$264,900**

**1534 - 16 Street**



**\$259,900**



**FRONT PORCH FOCUS**  
Fundraising dinner and silent auction to help Dawson Harke receive a Seizure Assistance Dog. At Zion Church on Friday, June 12 @ 5:30 p.m. Tickets are only \$10 and are available at Pharmasave, CIR Realty and right here at Front Porch Realty. [www.4pawsforability.org](http://www.4pawsforability.org)



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